(3) Rs. 40,000.
(4) Not likely.
(5) (i) Once.
(ii) Rs. 9,000.

MR. D. S. HANUMANTHA RAO, DEVANHALLI TALUK.—

Q.—10. Will the Government be pleased to state :—
(1) Whether they are aware of the insufficiency of water to the lands below Sonne Amanikere in the Devanhalli Taluk?
(2) If so, whether it will be possible to raise the waste weir of that tank?
(3) How the applications of the raiyats praying for substitution of the dry assessment for the wet assessment presented during the time of survey and the Survey Jamabandi were disposed of?
(4) Whether, without the consent of the raiyats holding lands below any tank, the raiyats of dry lands are allowed the use of the water of that tank thus causing loss to the former?

REVENUE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—(1) and (2)—The complaint of insufficiency of water to the lands as quoted is under investigation and Government have called for a report on the proposal to convert a portion of the atchkat from wet into dry.
(3) There is no information available on the point, but a repot will be called for.

A.—(1) 1,357 acres and 19 guntas of arable land assessed at Rs. 210 belong to the Ganigas.
(4) No such case has come to notice, but Government are making enquiries.

MR. MURUGESAM PILLAY, ADI DRAVIDA ABHIVRIDDHI SANGHAM, BANGALORE.—

Q.—11. Will the Government be pleased to furnish information for each of the last 3 years on the following matters relating to the Panchamas in the State?
(1) Number of schools for Panchama boys and girls.
(2) Number of Panchama boys and girls in general schools.
(3) Number of wells sunk for the use of Panchamas in the State.
(4) Extent of lands given at concession rates for Panchamas.
(5) Number of appointments given to Panchamas.

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT—

A.—(1) and (2) A statement furnishing the information is placed on the table. (See Appendix A.)

REVENUE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

(3) The number of such wells sunk during the last three years out of District Funds, Municipal Funds and Malnad Improvement Funds is shown in the statement appended hereto. (See Appendix B.)
(4) Two thousand eight acres and 8 guntas of land were granted to the Panchamas during the last three years in the Districts of Tumkur, Hassan, Shimoga and Chitaldrug. No lands have yet been granted in the Kadur District where three applications are pending disposal. Information in respect of the three remaining districts has been called for and will be furnished on receipt.

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

(5) The total number of appointments given to Panchamas during the past three years was as follows :—

| | Superior service | Inferior service |
|---|---|---|
| 1920-21 .. .. | 24 | 70 |
| 1921-22 .. .. | 22 | 65 |
| 1922-23 .. .. | 35 | 74 |

NOTE.—These include temporary, acting and permanent appointments.

MR. B. NARASINGA RAO, SERINGAPATAM TALUK.—

Q.—12. Will the Government be pleased to state :—
(1) What the percentage of increase in assessment was in case of dry and wet lands separately over the old collections in the 69 villages referred to in

Government Order No. R. 5945, dated 28th June 1923, during the Original Survey and Settlement and what is the percentage of increase in the resettlement over the original settlement?

(2) Whether they are aware that the enhancement of assessment is abnormally high in the resettlement said to have been introduced into the 69 villages having regard to the impoverished condition of the people?

(3) When the detailed proposals for the resettlement of the said 69 villages were received by Government from the Superintendent of Survey?

(4) What the reasons are for such large enhancement of assessment?

(5) Whether the Superintendent of Survey conducted a thorough enquiry into the condition of the agriculturists, their indebtedness, facilities for labour and the cost of cultivation?

(6) If so, what the approximate cost is (i) of cultivation for each acre of dry and wet land and (ii) the wages of the male and female labourers per day, as estimated by the Superintendent of Survey?

(7) Whether the detailed report of the Superintendent of Survey about the resettlement can be made available to the members of the Assembly and the general public?

REVENUE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—(1) Rate of increase during—

| | 1. Original Settlement. | 2. Resettlement. |
|---|---|---|
| Dry .. .. | 108 per cent. | 30 per cent. |
| Wet .. .. | 26 ,, | 40 ,, |
| | (Exclusive of irrigation cess) | (Inclusive of irrigation cess) |

If irrigation cess is excluded, the increase in the wet assessment at the resettlement will be only 32 or 33 per cent.

(2) Government do not agree in the suggestion that the enhancement of assessment at the resettlement was abnormally high. On the other hand, speaking generally, they consider it fair and moderate in view of the exceptional irrigational facilities of the tract provided at a high cost by Government, its easy access, central situation, its facilities of communication by rail and road, the high rise in the prices of agricultural produce, chiefly rice and sugar-cane and the general improvement in the economic condition of the people since the original settlement. If any landholder considers that the increase in the case of his holding is high, it is open to him to prefer an appeal in accordance with Notification No. 346, dated 21st August 1923, of the Superintendent of Revenue Survey which has been published in the *Mysore Gazette*, dated 23rd August 1923 as well as in the villages concerned.

(3) Preliminary proposals were received on 12th May 1923. Final proposals were received on 15th June 1923.

(4) The attention of the member is drawn to Government Order No. C. 5-9—L. S. 50-22-4, dated the 27th June 1923, sanctioning the resettlement in which full reasons have been given for the revised rates of assessment.

(5) Yes.

(6) The cost varies widely in different places, dependant as it is upon the nature of the soil, crops raised, the seasonal conditions, the industry of the cultivator, etc. The wages of a male labourer vary from annas 8 to one rupee and of a female from annas 6 to 7 per diem.

(6) A copy has already been sent to the member and another copy is placed on the table of the House.

MESSRS. S. C. MALLIAH AND M. C. LINGE GOWDA, MANDYA TALUK.—

Q.—13. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) What were the amounts contributed by the raiyats for the construction of school buildings and held in deposit during the past 5 years?

(2) What were the years in which the Government paid their full share of the contribution and what is the estimated cost of such of the buildings as have been completed?

(3) What is the number of school buildings constructed at the cost of the raiyats and how many such buildings have been handed over to Government and are in use?